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AN ACT relating to the purchase of flags by public institutions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

1 ➔ Section 1. KRS 2.030 is amended to read as follows:

- 2 (1) The official state flag of the Commonwealth of Kentucky shall be of navy blue silk,
3 nylon, wool or cotton bunting, or some other suitable material, with the seal of the
4 Commonwealth encircled by a wreath, the lower half of which shall be goldenrod in
5 bloom and the upper half the words "Commonwealth of Kentucky," embroidered,
6 printed, painted, or stamped on the center thereof. The dimensions of the flag may
7 vary, but the length shall be one and nine-tenths (1 9/10) times the width and the
8 diameter of the seal and encirclement shall be approximately two-thirds (2/3) the
9 width of the flag.
- 10 (2) The approved official drawings of the state flag shall be permanently retained in the
11 files of the office of the Secretary of State. All state flags for official use of the
12 Commonwealth shall conform as to color and design with these official drawings.
- 13 (3) The emblem at the head of a flagstaff used to display the flag of the Commonwealth
14 of Kentucky shall be the Kentucky cardinal in an alert but restful pose, cast in
15 bronze, brass, or other suitable material.
- 16 (4) The flying of the state flag at all state buildings and installations including public
17 school buildings, National Guard armories, state parks, and other such buildings is
18 considered proper and is encouraged.
- 19 (5) No disrespect should be shown to the flag of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. With
20 the exception of the flag of the United States of America, the flag of the
21 Commonwealth of Kentucky should not be dipped to any person or thing. The flag
22 should never touch anything beneath it, such as the ground, the floor, water, or
23 merchandise. The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting
24 emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.
- 25 **(6) All official flags of the Commonwealth of Kentucky purchased by a public**

1 **institution shall be manufactured in the United States.**

2 ➔Section 2. KRS 2.040 is amended to read as follows:

3 (1) The flag of the United States shall be displayed on the main administration
4 buildings of every public institution, and, during school days, either from the
5 flagstaff or, in inclement weather, within the school building of every schoolhouse.

6 (2) The flag, with staff or flagpole, shall be provided for every schoolhouse.

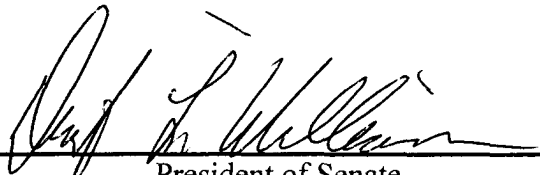
7 **(3) All official flags of the United States purchased by a public institution shall be**
8 **manufactured in the United States.**

9 ➔Section 3. KRS 118.045 is amended to read as follows:

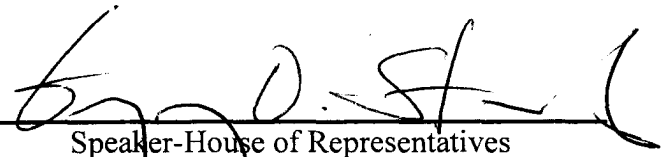
10 (1) Every voting location on the day upon which any election is held shall, during
11 voting hours, display an American flag of dimensions of reasonable size, which
12 shall be firmly attached to the main entrance of the voting location so that it will be
13 readily visible to the general public.

14 (2) A precinct sheriff shall attach the American flag to the main entrance of the voting
15 location upon the opening of the polls on the election day and shall remove the
16 same upon the closing of the polls.

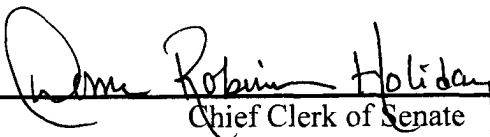
17 (3) The fiscal court of every county shall purchase out of its general fund sufficient
18 American flags for every voting location in that county. **All American flags**
19 **purchased by the fiscal court shall be manufactured in the United States.**




President of Senate



Speaker-House of Representatives

Attest: 

Chief Clerk of Senate

Approved 

Governor

Date March 6, 2009